

TRANSPORTATION/TRAILS SUBCOMMITTEE

MINUTES – MAY 3, 2011

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Dennis Sprong – 7:15 pm.
2. It was determined that there was a quorum of members present.

Excused absence = Frank W. & Frank K. Unexcused – Angus T. & Karen C.

3. Pledge of Allegiance led by Cheryl Wegner
4. Minutes of April 5, 2011 were approved.
5. Announcements:
 - a. Cheryl Wegner reported on the “I love a Clean San Diego – Creek to Bay” clean-up on Saturday by Volunteers from Ramona Trails Association.
 - b. John Degenfelder reported that San Diego County Parks/Recreation Ribbon Cutting for the opening of the staging area on Highland Valley Rd. will be officiated by Dianne Jacob as 11:00 a.m. on June 3rd.
6. The committee heard the issues affecting the residents of San Diego Country Estates in the area of Cedar Creek Falls Trailhead area.
 - a. Dawn Perfect moved to request RCPG send a letter to U.S. Forest Service, SDCE Assoc., San Diego River Park, and Conservancy to develop a parking area on Ramona Oaks Rd. and to provide signage that indicates such parking and to expand the Thornbush parking area. Motion failed.
 - b. Cheryl Wagner moved to request a letter from RCPG addressed to all of the affected agencies and parties to work toward finding a viable solution to the problem. 2nd by Dawn Perfect. Motion passed unanimously.
7. Carl Hickman, speaking as a private citizen, presented a computerized traffic modeling of the weekday A.M. & P.M. traffic flow on Highway 67 – as it is affected by traffic leaving and entering Mussey Grade Road.
Scotty moved approval of the installation of a traffic signal at the intersection of Mussey Grade Rd. and Highway 67 along with all of the necessary improvements to the geometric road elements, etc. 2nd by Cheryl Wegner. Motion passed unanimously.
8. Scotty made a motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted.

John Degenfelder – acting secretary

SOUTH SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
RAMONA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
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May 3, 2011, 7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER (Joint meeting with T&T) by Dennis Sprong at 7:10 P.M.
2. DETERMINATION OF MEMBERS PRESENT – A quorum was met with members: Torrey Brean, Bob Krysak, Thomas Levin, Bill White, and Bob Hailey present. Excused absence: George Eastwood.

Action Item:

3. Cedar Creek Falls Trailhead Area. Traffic Impacts to the Area Due to Hikers Parking on Thornbush, and Consideration of Potential Remedies (Discussion And Possible Action)

Discussion centered on impact to neighbors on Thornbush and surrounding area. Thomas Levin mentioned increased fire danger with larger numbers of hikers as a concern. As the US Forestry Service has seen fit to put this official trailhead on the end of a residential road there needs to be some sort of mitigation. Only 29 parking spaces have been built and very large numbers of people park in front of the neighboring homes.

After much discussion as to how to limit the numbers of people visiting the trail, restricted parking in the area seemed the best way to approach it. A motion was made by Bob Krysak and seconded by Bill White that the RCPG recommend a parking prohibition on Thornbush and Cathedral and side roads/cul du sacs during the hours of 6:00am and 12:00pm on weekends. Additionally, that signs be posted on Ramona Oaks stating that it be used for trailhead parking.

4. Adjournment moved by Thomas Levin seconded by Bob Krysak at 8:40pm. Ayes All.